

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 4 have been cancelled via the present amendment. Claims 2 and 3 have been previously cancelled. The claims remaining in the amendment are 5-17.

Claim Objections

Claims 6, 8, 10, and 16 have been objected to due to informalities. Claims 6, 8, 10, and 16 have been amended to correct their dependencies.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

The Office Action has rejected claims 1 and 4 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schuppan (U.S. 2003/0076515) and Barry et al. (U.S. 5,309,246). This rejection is respectfully traversed. Claims 1 and 4 have been cancelled from the present invention.

Allowable Subject Matter

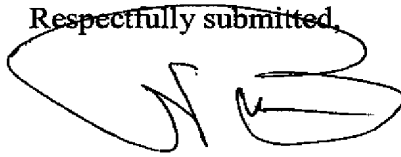
The Office Action has objected to claims 5-15. Claims 5-15 have been rewritten in independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

CONCLUSION

Dependent claims not specifically addressed add additional limitations to the independent claims, which have been distinguished from the prior art and are therefore also patentable.

If the Examiner is of the opinion that additional modifications to the claims are necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, he is invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the number listed below for a telephone interview and Examiner's amendment.

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